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'Ziggurat': rumors circulate about former Money Store building; new private tenant is best option, says official

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

Sacramento-area media outlets have reported that the former Money Store building – the "ziggurat" on West Sacramento's waterfront – is very close to becoming a state office site.

But West Sacramento's redevelopment agency chief, Val Toppenberg, reports that he has no firm news of the landmark's future use, and that a lease to a private corporation remains the best choice economically.

A new tenant is being sought by First Union Bank, which closed its Money Store lending operation but remains committed to years of lease payments to a building owner now affiliated with an international insurance agency. First Union still retains partial use of the building, which is designed from the ground up as a base for a single company. If a new tenant is found, First Union is expected to pull out the rest of its ziggurat-building staff as the new tenant comes in.

"The brokers on behalf of First Union are working very hard to try to lease the building out," said Toppenberg. "Their first objective is to replace the Money Store with a corporate tenant who would take over the building fully."

He added that a state agency hoping to lease the building has limits on how much rent it could pay – and wouldn't be able to pay market rate for such ziggurat niceties as the building's atrium, high-ceilinged corporate center, or fish pond.

"The state of California has limits on what it can pay for even Class A office space," Toppenberg said. "A private tenant is going to pay the highest rent and also give the city of West Sacramento the most prestige."

Still, added Toppenberg, filling the building with state office workers is "a terrific second choice" from West Sacramento's point of view.

The option could be possible partly because West Sacramento leaders, including former mayor Christopher Cabaldon, worked with area lawmakers to ensure the city could be considered as an appropriate "smart growth" place for state offices.

Whether the building is leased to a private tenant or to the state, Toppenberg expects it to keep paying property taxes because the ownership is not expected to change. If it were to become publicly owned, it could become exempt from property taxes.

"I am told by the representatives of First Union that the owners have no intention of selling the building," he said.

Rep. Doug Ose visits bridge site

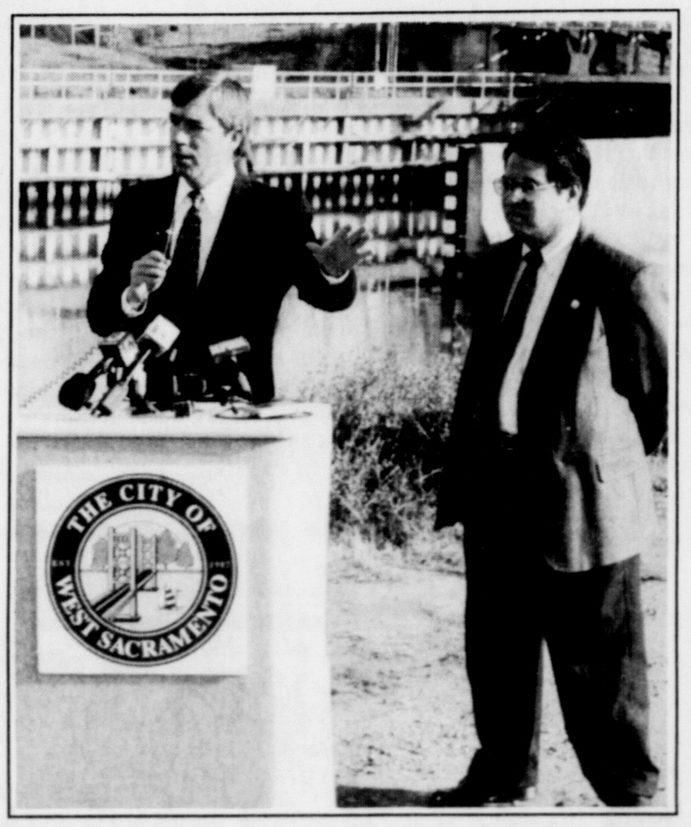
Congressman says legislation will save city $7 million on Jefferson Blvd.

West Sacramento's Congressman, Republican Doug Ose, visited the city's barge canal Wednesday to talk about provisions he supported in the federal Water Resources Development Act.

The legislation -- among many other things -- includes language that supports "decommissioning" of the federally-controlled Stone Lock at Jefferson Blvd. in West Sacramento.

The city and CalTrans plan to widen Jefferson Blvd., adding a second bridge with more traffic lanes at its crossing at Stone Lock. By removing the waterway from federal control, the city would save an estimated $7 million. Instead of building a high-rise or movable bridge to allow ship traffic underneath, the city could instead build a simple, fixed expansion to the existing movable bridge.

The expansion would cost $600,00, according to a city press release. A new, movable bridge would have cost $8.5 million.



Rep. Ose (left) with West Sacramento Mayor Mark Montemayor, in front of Stone Lock last Wednesday
Photo courtesy Art Schroeder, City of West Sac.

Cops' toy drive: 150 happy faces

West Sacramento police officers Eric Angle and Robin Reece coordinated a Christmas toy drive this month, receiving a number of donations from police department workers.

They arranged for toy delivery to underprivileged children in West Sacramento on Christmas eve, Dec. 24. About 150 children benefited from the toy drive.

Cardozas celebrate golden fifty

By Daryl Fisher
Features Editor

Longtime West Sacramento residents Benjamin and Esther Cardoza celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Decem-

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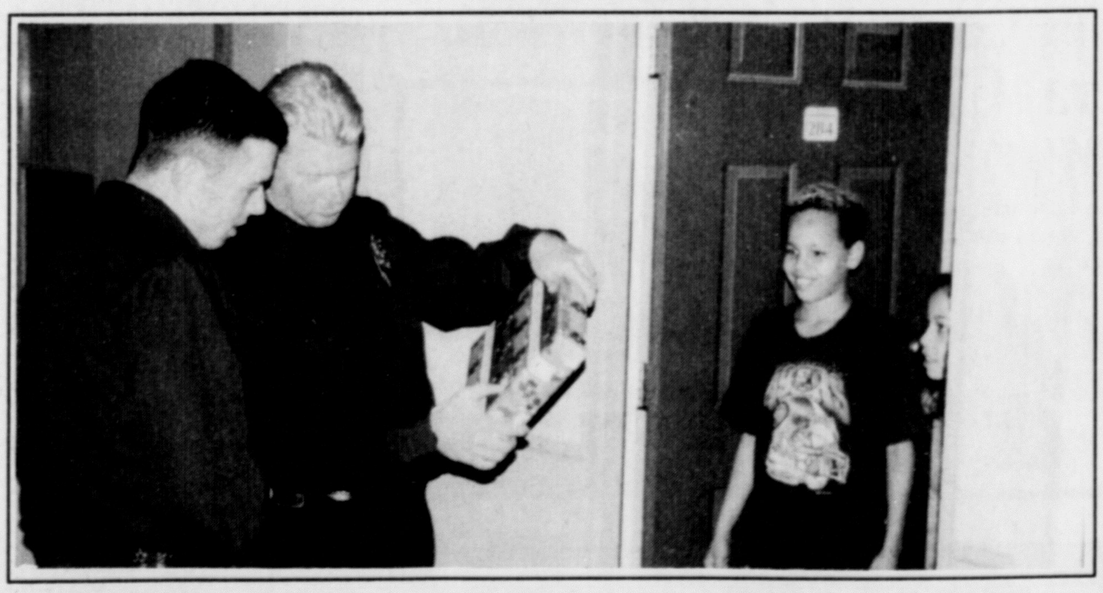
BENJAMIN & ESTHER CARDOZA

Firefighters help deliver CSBA toys



TEN-YEAR OLD MARCUS MOSLEY (centered in doorway) receives a surprise visit from Terry Dries and Rob Snyder of the West Sacramento Fire Department. The city's fire personnel assisted the California School Boards Association in distributing toys raised by the association's annual Holiday Toy Drive -- delivering about 1,000 toys to needy West Sacramento families during the holidays. The association is headquartered in the city.
Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento

Tower Bridge walkway: council says 'fix it'

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

The West Sacramento City Council voted Dec. 6 to keep improvements to the Tower Bridge walkway and bicycle path on the city's front burner.

City staff, citing a million-dollar shortfall in West Sacramento's share of the money to widen the pathway, had recommended that the bridgework be postponed. By delaying the project, they told the council, about $250,000 in outside grant money could be freed up to pay for rising costs on the city's West Capitol Ave. bicycle path relocation project near Enterprise Blvd.

"The staff's recommendation was to delay work on the Tower Bridge for a couple of years until the next round of funding," related Val Toppenberg, director of the city's redevelopment agency.

"The council said 'absolutely not'," he added. "They directed staff to proceed with the bridge, and reiterated the importance of the project. They said to go back and find the million-dollar shortfall. We're going to be looking at both additional federal and state grant funding."

The neighboring city of Sacramento is also responsible for half of the costs of widening the walkway/bikeway across the old, movable bridge. Sacramento has the money to pay for its half of the costs.

The bridge has become one means of bringing spectators to the new Raley Field ballpark. Many stadium visitors leave their cars in parking garages on the Sacramento side of the river before a game, then walk or take public transportation across the bridge to Raley Field in West Sacramento to watch the River Cats baseball team.

"(The pedestrian/bicycle path) is important not only to Raley Field, but also as a long-term enhancement of the West Sacramento waterfront," said Toppenberg. "It's important to get people across the bridge in a safe manner. Right now, the (walkway/bikeway) lanes are as narrow as three feet wide – which is inadequate for pedestrians, let alone bicycles."

Toppenberg also noted that a new tenant for the former Money Store ziggurat is still being sought, and a wider walkway might help to serve workers at the building as they travel between it and Sacramento.

Retirement dinner for former W. Sac.-area deputy

A retirement dinner is scheduled for Yolo Co. Sheriff's Dept. Sergeant Julian Garcia, who is leaving the agency after 28 years of service.

Since being hired in 1972, Garcia has worked West Sacramento-area patrol, rural patrol, detention and court services. He was promoted to sergeant last year, and assigned to oversee court operations. He is currently the day shift sergeant in charge of patrol operations.

Sgt. Garcia has also operated a business called New Life's Challenges, serving as an anger control and abuse counselor.

Sgt. Garcia will retire effective Dec. 31.

The dinner party in his honor will be held Dec. 29 at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 500 Bush St. in Woodland. Cost is $10 per person, and tickets are available at the sheriff's department. Call (530) 668-5280 for information.

Tobacco funds disbursed in Yolo Co.

Yolo County has announced a decision on how to award $1,238,499 in state Proposition 10 moneys. The funding is available due to a tobacco tax initiative, and allocated by county.

Local organizations that will receive Prop. 10 funds are:

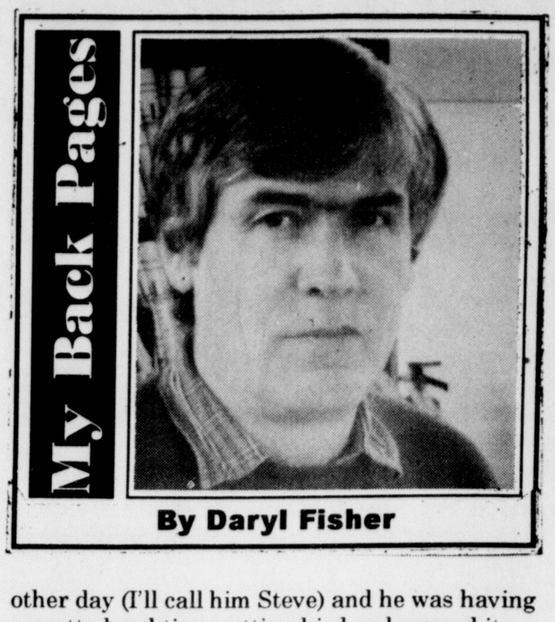
The county's Nurse Home Visitation Program, $160,010; California Children's Services, $18,940; and Books and Bread, $297,165;

Yolo County Child Care Outreach, $110,058; Yolo Crisis Nursery, $47,100; Esparto Healthy Start Collaborative, $115,600; Services to young children through Davis Community Meals and Shelter, $94,318; Steps Toward Active Recovery (CommuniCare), $75,937; Answers Benefiting Children (CommuniCare), $168,535;

Child Care and Development for Homeless Families (Broderick Christian Center), $85,000; Yolo County Oral Children's Health Summit, $5,000; the City of West Sacramento's Harmony on the River, $5,000; and the Yolo County Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (Yolo County Dept. of Employment and Social Services), $55,836.

If all else fails, just buy her shoes

Editor's note: Daryl is taking Christmas week off. Below is one of his favorite holiday columns from the past.



By Daryl Fisher

As everyone in the Christian world knows, this is the season when we're all supposed to be making a little better effort in the areas of peace and goodwill towards all our earthly brothers and sisters. And as if that weren't enough, it's also that time of the year when men are supposed to somehow, out of the blue, come up with a Christmas gift idea that won't make their significant other wish she had gone ahead and married that other guy who her mother liked better.

Anyway, speaking for men in general and me in particular, picking out the perfect Christmas present for a person of the opposite sex is mostly pure torture. No matter how hard I try (and I admit that my effort has been questioned from time to time) I always seem to get it wrong. I've tried just about everything, including jewelry, clothes, stuff that smells good, appliances, cute little animals (both stuffed and alive), sexy underwear, books, and, of course, cold hard cash. But with a very few exceptions, the result has always been pretty much the same, which is usually a forced half-smile and a polite, unexcited "Thank you, dear."

In fact, as I look back over the years, with the possible exception of a watch my wife still wears from time to time, a Punky Levi jacket my daughter liked, and a pair of sunglasses an old teenage girlfriend saw and fell in love with (I had the good sense to go back and spend my last few dollars on them), all my gift ideas for women can pretty much be summed up in one word -- substandard.

A few years ago, though, I accidentally stumbled upon what I believe to be a poorly understood and not enough appreciated fact -- that most women have a little Imelda Marcos in them. In other words, I've learned that a pitiful gift-picker-outer like me can still manage to keep my head above water at Christmas time if I just go down to Nine West or some other upscale women's shoe store, purchase a gift certificate, wrap it nicely, and stick it under the tree.

I was mentioning all this to a friend of mine the other day (I'll call him Steve) and he was having a pretty hard time getting his head around it.

"You really bought your wife and daughter shoes for Christmas?" he asked me in disbelief.

"That's right," I answered proudly.

"But how do you even know what kind of shoes to get them? I mean, there's a million different kinds of women's shoes out there. I wouldn't know where to start."

"Oh, no, no," I explained. "I don't actually pick out the shoes, I just purchase the gift certificate."

"But isn't that a little impersonal?"

"You would think so," I admitted, "but when it comes to shoes, women seem to be willing to cut men a little slack."

"How so?"

"Well, and this is only my opinion," I said, "but when a woman opens up a present and sees it's a gift certificate for a pair of shoes, it seems to me that before she can get really good and mad at you for not being more original or thoughtful, she starts thinking about how much she could really use a new pair of shoes and how much fun she's going to have shopping for them. Plus she starts thinking about an outfit or two she has in the closet which only need a good pair of new shoes to make them just perfect, and before you know it, she's giving you a kiss on the cheek and sincerely thanking you for the gift certificate."

"That may be true," said Steve without much conviction, "but I still don't think I could ever just give my wife a gift certificate. Have you ever just asked your wife or daughter what kind of shoes they want and then went out and bought them yourself? Wouldn't that be better?"

"Once again," I said to my friend, "I think you're missing the whole point here. You see, by giving a gift certificate, not only do you not have to do any of the shopping and standing in lines yourself, but you can't screw things up by purchasing the wrong thing. And believe me, there's no way you can actually figure out what kind of shoes a woman wants anyway. They just seem to more or less know them when they see them, if you know what I mean. Plus they use code words to describe the darn things. For instance, my daughter wants to use her gift certificate this year to buy 'big and clunky shoes'. Now what man can be expected to know what in the world that means?"

"You know," said Steve with obvious surprise, "you just may have stumbled on to something here. What did you say the same of that shoe store was?"

"Nine West," I said, "but if I was you, I'd also check the Macy's ad, because sometimes they have a 50% off sale, and do you know what a woman likes even more than a new pair of shoes?"

"No. What?"

"Two new pairs of shoes!"

Note: *To date, the Grace K. Ohlson Scholarship Fund has received 90 donations for a total of $7,570. The goal is to raise a $10,000 endowment, with the interest earnings being used to support a $500 annual scholarship for Washington Unified School District graduates who plan on attending a college in the Los Rios Community College system. Anyone who would like to make a contribution to the fund can do so by making a check payable to the Grace K. Ohlson Scholarship Fund, c/o the News-Ledger, PO Box 463, West Sacramento, CA 95691.*

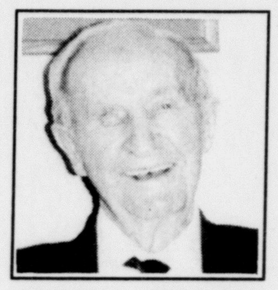
For more information about the fund, please feel free to call Daryl or Steve at the News-Ledger, 371-8030. And thanks again to all of you who have already contributed!

Obituaries

Edwin Leonard Grosse

Longtime West Sacramento resident Edwin L. Gross, age 92, died December 22, 2000 in his home.

Edwin and his wife, Hilda, moved to West Sacramento in 1954 from Nebraska and managed the Plaza Motel. Shortly thereafter, Edwin worked as a custodian at Arlington Oaks Elementary School for the Washington Unified School District and eventually retired from the Port of Sacramento.

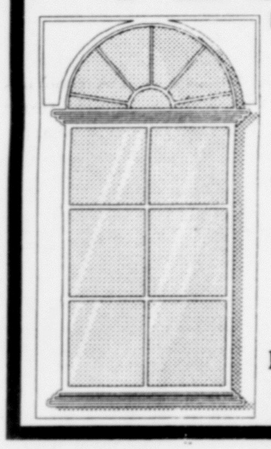


EDWIN L. GROSSE

Edwin is survived by his daughter, Jolene Muntzel of West Sacramento; by son and daughter-in law Don and Rose Grosse of Citrus Heights; by son Bon Grosse of Jackson, CA; and by ten grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, and two great-great-great grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at Community Lutheran Church on Drever Street in West Sacramento. Arrangements are under the direction of River Cities Funeral Chapel.

Al's Glass



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How to recycle your Christmas tree, and other recycling answers

'Tis the season for the Recycling Division to remind West Sacramento residents of the many ways to reduce holiday waste from going into the trash:

1. The West Sacramento Senior Center would like your used holiday greeting cards to make terrific crafts. You can drop them by the Senior Center at 661 Cummins Way or the Department of Parks & Community Services located at 1951 South River Road.

2. Think about using gift bags instead of wraps. Not only can they be reused, but it's fun to put a date inside the bag you're giving and then the next person can date it when it's used again, and so on.

3. Remember that Christmas trees can be cut in 3 foot sections and recycled at the curb, or dropped in the Christmas tree box in the Rite-Aid parking lot from December 26 to January 13, 2001.

4. Cardboard boxes can be flattened in 3' x 2' pieces and bundled together for pickup on your regular refuse day. Place next to your existing containers for recycling.

Parents: free ride for tots who need shots

The West Sacramento Toddler Immunization Outreach Project, a program of the Shots for Tots Regional Coalition, is providing free transportation for families to five area medical facilities for the purpose of childhood immunizations. The project began last summer and will extend through April 15, 2001. The transportation project is being funded by the City of West Sacramento and the West Sacramento Rotary Club, with shuttles being driven by the City of West Sacramento Parks and Community Services Department. Parents are required to accompany their children to and from the clinic, bring their child's yellow immunization record, as well as schedule a clinic appointment and a shuttle pick-up/return time.

The no-cost rides are provided for families to the following participating clinics: Yolo County Public Health Department (530) 666-8645; Garcia, Lee & Conception Medical Group (916) 392-4000; Salud Clinic (916) 375-6400; Molina Clinic (916) 399-1777; Sacramento Family Medical Center (916-391-2229.

Families may also chose from the following shuttle times: Tuesdays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Thursdays from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Parents are asked to schedule shuttle service by contacting Andre Pichly of the City of West Sacramento Parks and Community Services Department at (916) 373-5860.

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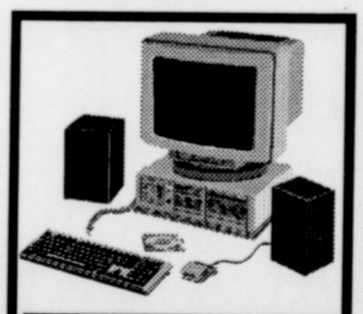

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SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

The NFL playoff scenario is set with 12 teams filling their gas tanks for the long journey that leads to Super Bowl XXXV in Tampa Bay on January 28th. The league has never seen such parity as teams prepare for the wild card games on Saturday. The defending Super Bowl champion, Rams, found the back door open the playoffs with their victory over New Orleans and the upset win by the Bears over Lions. The Rams, who are the favorites to repeat as Super Bowl champions, open up the playoffs in New Orleans on Saturday, December 30th (1 p.m.-ch.10).

The other wild card game on Saturday will feature the Miami Dolphins at home against their AFC rival, the Indianapolis Colts. The wild card games continue on New Years Eve with Baltimore hosting the Denver Broncos (9:30 a.m. ch.13) and Tampa Bay visiting Philadelphia (1 p.m-ch.40). The other NFC playoffs teams consist of the New York Giants, who have home-field advantage throughout the playoffs, and the Minnesota Vikings. In the AFC the Titans own the home field advantage while the Oakland Raiders enjoy a first round bye. The division playoffs will be on Jan. 6 & 7th with the Championship game set for Sunday, Jan. 14th.

The Oakland Raiders (12-4) secured a first round bye and the AFC West title with there dominating 52-9 over the Carolina Panthers. The Raiders will host a playoff game on January 6 or 7th depending on the outcome of the wild card games. I would love to see a a rematch with the Denver Broncos!

The Denver Broncos blew out the 49ers 38-9 ending the Niners season at 6-10. The loss enabled the league to select the Niners opponents for next season. In addition to their eight division games, the Niners will host Philadelphia, Miami, Buffalo, and Green Bay. They also will have to travel to play Dallas, Chicago, Indianapolis and the New York Jets. On a bright note Jeff Garcia broke Steve Young's all time single-season passing record with 4,277 yards and Jerry Rice finished his last game with 49ers with 6 catches for 61 yards.

My weekly picks took a beating on the final week of the season with the Lions losing to the Bears and the Cowboys (+14 ½) laying down on Monday night to the Titans. I did manage to win on game with Colts beating the Vikings to keep my percentage above .500 (25 wins, 22 losses, 3 ties). It's a new season in the playoffs and the Super Bowl title is up for grabs! This week in the AFC wild card games I like the Broncos (+1) over Baltimore and the Colts (+2 ½) in an upset over Miami. In the NFC I like the two road teams with Tampa Bay (-2) winning in Philly and the Rams (-6) blowing out the Saints.

The Sacramento Kings (19-7) are home enjoying their one game lead over the Lakers in the Pacific Division. The Kings, who own the NBA's best record, won their set of back-to-back games this season beating Vancouver on Friday and the Sonics 97-92 Saturday night. The Kings are home on a four-day holiday break before hosting the Charlotte Hornets on Thursday night (7:30) and the Philadelphia 76ers on Saturday, Dec. 30th (4:30 p.m.-NBC) on a nationally televised game. The Sixers will be playing without All-Star guard, Allen Iverson, who dislocated is right shoulder last week against Utah. The game of week will be next year against Phoenix on Tuesday, January 2nd. Tickets are still available by calling (916) 928-3650 or by visiting the Arco Arena Box Office.

Speaking of tickets! The tickets for the WBC super-bantamweight between champion, Willie Jorrin and the No. 1 contender, Oscar Larios of Mexico are on sale at the Arco and Ticketmaster outlets for $31, $46 and $66. All seating for the "War at the Arco" will on the lower levels. Promoter, Don Chargin, is still negotiating for opponents for Ex-world welterweight champion Jose Luis Lopez (44-4-2) and Juan Lazcano (25-2-1) who is fighting out of West Sacramento. Lazcano won the NABF 135-pound title earlier this year and is ranked among the IBF's top 10 lightweights.

See ya next Year!!!

In memory of John Jacobs

Members of the River City Rowing Club dedicated a new, 60-foot, eight-rower racing shell in memory of Sacramento Bee political editor John Jacobs on Dec. 9 at a Port of Sacramento regatta. Jacobs died this year of cancer. His political columns in the Bee were popular and well-read. The family has two children who are members of the West Sacramento club.

Above, son Max Jacobs pours Champagne on the new racing boat while daughter Maggie Jacobs and John Jacobs' wife, Carol Brydof (both at right), look on.

Photo courtesy of Lyra Halprin

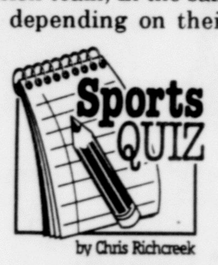
New 'junior league' for 14-17 year old local baseball players

The West Sacramento American Legion baseball team is announcing the formation of a Junior Legion baseball team for the 2001 season. Any player who is between the ages of 14 and 17 is eligible to play on the junior team. Those players who make the Junior Division team are eligible to play on both the Senior Division team and the Junior Division team, in the same season, depending on their skill level, sort of as a farm team concept.

Interested applicants for coaching positions with the junior team are also being accepted.

Anybody interested in playing or coaching, please call Johnny Lopes (372-5911) or Steve Ericson (372-0577).

Also, at last month's meeting, Carla Marquez was elected as a new member to the board of directors.



by Chris Richcreek

1. Who was the last pitcher before Andy Pettitte to win 100 games with the New York Yankees?

2. True or false: In 1997, both Cy Young Award winners played for losing teams.

3. Name the first Division I-A college football program to register 800 victories.

4. Entering this season, how many years had it been since the Golden State Warriors beat the Utah Jazz?

5. Who were the last teammates before St. Louis' Chris Pronger and Al MacInnis to win the Norris Trophy in back-to-back seasons?

6. How many gold medals did Bobby Morrow win at the 1956 Olympics?

7. Tiger Woods set a PGA record this season with a 67.79 adjusted stroke average. Whose record did he break?

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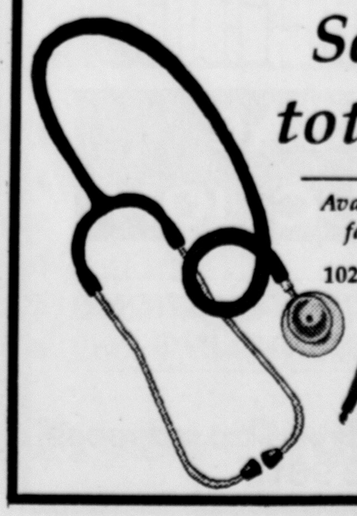
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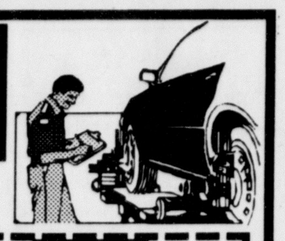

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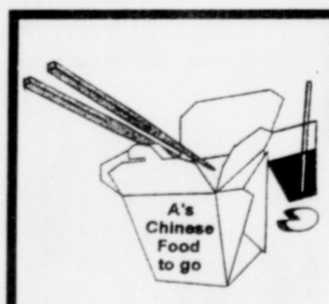

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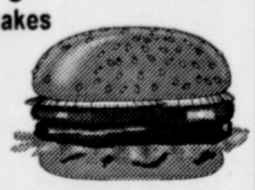

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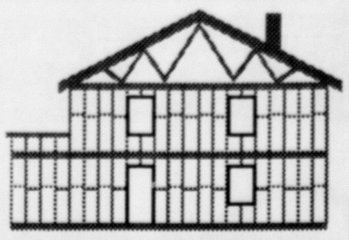

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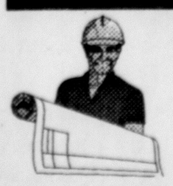

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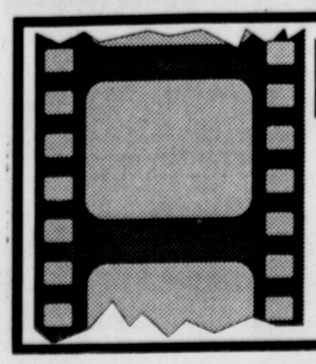

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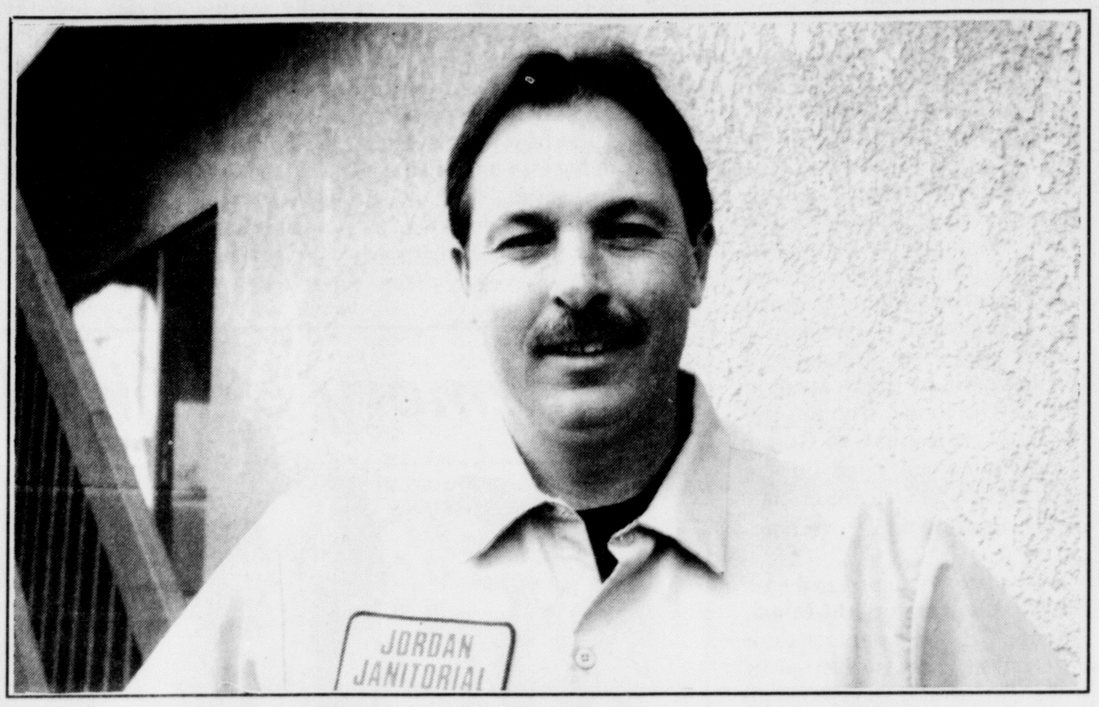
(Note: Below is the latest in a series of *News-Ledger* profiles of the newspaper's advertisers. Enjoy!)

By Daryl Fisher
Features Editor



JOHN JORDAN, West Sacramento's carpet cleaning virtuoso

John Jordan, the owner and operator of Jordan's Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning, which is located on the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Drever Street, was born and raised in West Sacramento.

"I went to Elkhorn and Bryte Elementary schools," recalled John, "and I graduated from River City High School in 1980. West Sacramento has always been my home and it's also one of the best kept secrets in the whole Sacramento Valley. It really is a great place to live and work and I've always been proud to call it my home."

For as long as John can remember, he wanted to be a businessman.

"When I was only about nine years old," recalled John with a smile, "I lived over near the Riverbend golf course and I had my own lost golf ball business. At first, I would go out and hunt for them by myself, but after awhile, I put my five cousins to work, too, and between the six of us, we could find 90 or so lost golf balls on a good Saturday. I would line everyone up and spread them out so we could make a thorough search of the whole golf course and we actually got to be pretty good at it."

After John and his cousins had located as many lost balls as possible, they would take them home, clean them up until they looked almost as good as new, and then return to the golf course to sell their merchandise between the 8th and 9th tees.

"I made a real good profit on those golf balls," said John with obvious pride, "and back then, a dollar could really buy you something. For instance, it only cost fifty cents to go to a matinee movie at the Fox or the Esquire or the Crest theaters in downtown Sacramento, and you could also get a bag of popcorn, a candy bar, and a soda for another thirty-five cents. Anyway, between the lost golf balls and a little landscaping business I also ran on the side (he charged five dollars to rake the front and back yards of houses in his neighborhood), I was doing pretty good back then."

After John got out of school, he went to work for Nor-Cal Beverage on the production line and in 1983, he married his wife, Shelley. John and Shelley presently have two children, 17-year-old daughter, Linsey, and 11-year-old son, John, and they are also expecting another child in May.

"While I was working at Nor-Cal," said John, "I also did quite a bit of their janitorial work and by the early 1990s, I was doing floor and tile maintenance, carpet cleaning, you name it, and I decided to go ahead and open up my own janitorial service. I was able to get some really good contracts, including Nor-Cal and Raleys, and it can be a very lucrative business if it's run correctly. But carpet and upholstery cleaning is what I've enjoyed most over the years and that is what my business is concentrating on now. Not just anyone can do a really good job when it comes to properly cleaning carpets and upholstery. You need the proper equipment, materials, and a lot of experience, and we have all three at Jordan's Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning."

John is very proud of the fact that through all his years of carpet and upholstery cleaning, he has never lost a customer.

"We get a lot of repeat business," explained John, "and I think that's because we make absolutely sure we do our job correctly every time we show up at a customer's door. It's a very competitive business and other companies are often built for speed and they take a lot of shortcuts. We don't do that and my customers appreciate it."

Among the many letters of recommendation that John has received from satisfied customers, Richard Nathanson, president of Western Career College writes, "John has provided outstanding service and we have found him to be extremely dependable and honest. He sets high standards for himself and his company and we are very satisfied with the quality of his work."

John has also found that his West Sacramento customers appreciate the fact that he both works and lives in the their city, where he is a member of West Sacramento's Southport Church and teaches bible school every Thursday night.

"Being a local businessman is definitely a plus," said John. "Not only is my office here, but I also live in Southport and I'm easy to find if there's a problem. Plus my customers know I've lived here all my life and that my reputation matters to me. Being truthful and reliable is very important in the carpet cleaning business and all my work is guaranteed. Honesty and integrity counts with me."

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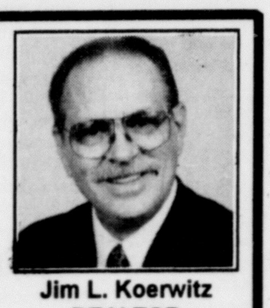

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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial:

Santa is welcome again

You may remember that a few years ago we reported that people in part of West Sacramento were throwing rocks at Santa.

The story was that the annual "Santa Run," involving a tour by Santa Claus atop a West Sacramento Fire Department truck just prior to Christmas, was endangered by hooligans. In certain parts of town, people were throwing rocks at Santa and his volunteer helpers as they greeted residents, passed out candy and collected cans of food for the needy.

For awhile, it wasn't clear if the rock-throwers would cause the Santa Run to be canceled in future years – or if they would cause it to detour around certain neighborhoods. It looked like the Santa Run, which brought holiday joy to so many kids, might become a casualty of the changing times.

Well, times have evidently changed again – for the better.

One volunteer who ran with the Santa fire truck this year reports that rock-throwers apparently haven't been a problem lately, and that firefighters and other volunteers weren't victimized this year as they spread their cheer.

It's nice to know that, sometimes, the little downward slides we experience in civility are only temporary. Sometimes, things get better.

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More recently, you may have followed an exchange of opinion in these pages regarding those who regard homosexuality as a sin (and would like to see a Gay/Straight Alliance Club on the River City High School campus removed), and those who believe in promoting tolerance of homosexuals.

Opinions on both sides are vigorous – sometimes too vigorous. This debate (like most arguments involving faith) isn't likely to be "won," "lost" or "solved" to anyone's satisfaction. Soon, we must all move on, while simply agreeing to disagree.

But before we do, the *News-Ledger* would still welcome some clarification from those who condemn the Gay-Straight Alliance Club (and who draw their support from the Bible):

Which of the Bible's orders must we obey literally, and which may we ignore? Do you support Biblical punishments and prohibitions literally, "across the board," or just some of them? Is every individual part of the Bible literally "right" on issues such as slavery, women's roles, and rules regarding the Sabbath, for example?

Should we really base our American society on all of these rules, prohibitions and prescribed punishments?

And, since most of the most vehement condemnation of homosexuality comes from fundamentalist Christians, there is an obvious question: why such passion about a topic Jesus apparently expressed so little interest in? Are your concerns parallel to, and in proportion to, the concerns expressed by your Lord?

If those of you who hold to these condemnations can't answer questions like these (even to yourself) in a consistent and clear manner, perhaps you will consider joining the chorus on the side of tolerance in our society.

As for this newspaper, there will most likely be nothing else to say on the subject. The *News-Ledger* begs its readers' pardon for the length of this discussion so far. Please keep in mind, however, the old adage: all it takes for evil to triumph is for good men to stand by and do nothing. Sometimes, that evil can be completely unintended and can come from good people.

To further marginalize those students at our high school who may be homosexual would have been wrong.

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To those who agree – and to those who disagree – on all the matters we are all privileged to address here in West Sacramento:

Happy New Year from the *News-Ledger*.

Peace.

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Letters to the Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE: Here's an unusual 'poetic' submission from West Sacramento resident George Potch:

Ole Dawg

Who came into my life and made my world bright?
Ole Dawg did.
But who messed on the floor that I tried to keep clean?
Ole Dawg did.
Who chewed up his bed when I made it so neat?
Ole Dawg did.
Who scattered his bones all over the house?
Ole Dawg did.
Who chased all the cats on our sunny day walks?
Ole Dawg did.
Who dug holes in the yard till it was a sight?
Ole Dawg did.
Who listened to me when no one else would?
Ole Dawg did.
Who gave me all the love I could hope for?
Ole Dawg did.
Who up and died when he got old?
Ole Dawg did.
Who made me cry till I thought I would die?
Ole Dawg did.
Who barked to Saint Peter "Please let me in!"
Old Dawg did.
Who marched through heavens gate to wait for me there?
Old Dawg did.

GEORGE POTCH
West Sacramento

Lets get back to Xmas spirit

My husband handed me today's News-Ledger (Dec. 20 edition) with the comment, "They say you're going to hell in a handbasket, I guess I'll have to wear a paper bag over my head the next time I go to Raley's."

After reading the letters I'm certainly glad it isn't 18th century Salem -- I'd probably be riding in a wooden cart on my way to be burned at the stake. I wondered why one writer kept repeating my name and referring to me, just one person, as "they." My husband explained that the fellow probably thought I was possessed by a legion of demons. He added that he often had that suspicion himself.

It occurs to me that in this ongoing exchange of self-righteous rhetoric, we have never heard from the actual parties involved. Perhaps this is really the main point of the debate. While my letter was perceived by some as an attack on Pastor Clements, I just naturally assumed that he, as an adult, was perfectly capable of defending his views (and he has). My primary concern is for the unspoken voice, the gay teenager who has no platform (let alone a pulpit) to express emotions of fear and estrangement. The RCHS Gay/Straight Alliance Club gives them just such a forum.

I can only stand on my previous opinion and reject the pastor's premise that teens will be "lured" into a homosexual lifestyle. Anyone who associates with teenagers knows most boys have an irrational abhorrence of homosexuality -- that is why so many gay teenagers commit suicide. This is exactly the problem the Gay/Straight Alliance is trying to remedy. Most homosexuals, like heterosexuals, just want to live a peaceful, productive life, sharing affection with those who willingly reciprocate.

This is supposed to be the season of rebirth and renewal. All this talk of who will/will not burn in hell is definitely not in keeping with the Christmas spirit. God doesn't condemn anyone to hell. There is no such place. He is a state of mind, a vacuum or lack of light in the soul of the rare being who consciously turns away from God. And even that is temporary. Christ, the eternal Shepherd, seeks out those who stray; not one will be lost. We need to wake up and realize that we are presently living in the Kingdom of God. As good Christians, let's turn our energy toward feeding the hungry and leave moral judgements to the Divine.

HOPE HERR
West Sacramento

Election irony

This election year is 2000 A.D. Ironically, though, the U.S. Supreme Court ended the presidential election year as "2000 B.C. (Bush/Cheney)!"

WILLIAM A. LOWELL
West Sacramento

Public notices

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 1, 2000
File No. 2000-919

The following person is doing business as Soap City, 1260 Lake Blvd. #118, Davis, CA 95616:

William F. Pacuilla & Larissa D. Pacuilla, 2921 Lake Blvd. Suite 118, Davis, CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/1/00.

/s/William F. Pacuilla

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County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Dec 1, 2000
by: /s/K. Weisenburg, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 1, 2000
File No. 2000-922

The following person is doing business as BLD Porcelain and Stoneware, 3480 Partridge Ave., W. Sacramento CA 95691:

Brian Lynn Dean, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10-1-94.

/s/Brian L. Dean

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 18, 2000
File No. 2000-975

The following person is doing business as Zamora Full Gospel, 9674 Main Street, Zamora CA:

Aaron Marlow and Lois Marlow, 921 Whiskey Creek Rd., Arbuckle, CA 95912.

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/s/Aaron & Lois Marlow

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 20, 2000
File No. 2000-985

The following person is doing business as Interstate Judgment Enforcement Agency, 437 Fifth St., Davis CA 95616:

D.L. Sommers.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20/00.

/s/D.L. Sommers

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Tony Bernhard, Dec 20, 2000
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NOTICE OF WAREHOUSE LIEN SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the mobilehome described below will be sold as is at public sale on January 22, 2001, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at Space 140, Westwind Estates Mobilehome Park located at 1399 Sacramento Avenue, West Sacramento, California in order to satisfy the lien claimed by the owner of the above mentioned mobilehome park for storage and other related charges incurred by Elise K. Shepard and Conseco Finance. The sale will be free and clear of all claims, liens and encumbrances of record except for possible liens of unpaid mobilehome registration fees and unpaid taxes, if any. Westwind Estates reserves its rights to require the removal of the mobilehome upon sale. In the event that the right to require the removal of the unit is not exercised, prospective purchasers who wish to reside in the unit on-site are cautioned to be familiar with California Civil Code Section 798.74 which gives the park certain rights of prior approval of its residents. Prospective purchasers must tender a cashier's check for the full amount of the purchase immediately at the conclusion of the sale. Except for the warranty that this sale is authorized by law, absolutely no warranties of sale are made. The park reserves the right to postpone and reschedule the sale without further notice. The general public will have access to the Mobilehome Park premises for purposes related to this sale. The Mobilehome is described as:

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NOTE: The creditor claiming this lien will make a credit bid in the amount of the total claim plus $15.02 per day storage fees through the date of sale.

The law gives you the thirty (30) days after you receive this Notice to dispute the validity of the debt or any part of it. If you do not dispute it within this period, I will assume the debt is valid. If you do dispute it – by notifying me in writing to that effect – I will, as required by law, obtain and mail to you proof of the debt.

The law does not require me to wait until the end of the 30 day period before proceeding to collect this debt. If, however, you request proof of the debt within the thirty (30) day period that begins with your receipt of this Notice, the law requires me to suspend my efforts (through litigation or otherwise) to collect the debt until I mail the requested information to you.

DATED: December 19, 2000
Michael W. Mihelich
Attorney for Westwind Estates
6700 Indiana Avenue, Suite 207
Riverside, CA 92506-4204
Telephone (909) 786-3601
Telefax (909) 786-3604
Dec 27 Jan 3

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If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything.
—Mark Twain
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov. 15, 2000
File No. 2000-856

The following person is doing business as Pampered Pets, 2041 Alta Loma St., Davis, CA 95616:

Heather Anne Hill.

This business is conducted by . The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on .

/s/Rachel Hayes

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Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Nov. 15, 2000
by: /s/Rachel Hayes, Deputy Clerk
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
In the Matter of the Petition of Russell Edward Steevns on Behalf of Jonathan Russell Bryan, a minor
No. SA00-75
Notice of Hearing

The People of the State of California

To DONALD BRUNS:

By order of this court you are hereby advised that you may appear before the judge presiding in Department 4 of this court on January 9, 2001 at 1:30 p.m., then and there to show cause, if any you have, why JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN, a minor, should not be declared free of the custody and control of DONALD BRUNS for the purpose of freeing the minor for adoption.

The address of the place of the above hearing is 725 Court Street, Woodland, California.

The following information concerns rights and procedures which relate to this proceeding for the termination of custody and control of DONALD BRUNS as set forth in Section 237.5 of the Civil Code.

(1) At the beginning of the proceeding the court will consider whether or not the interest of JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN require the appointment of counsel. If the court finds that the interests of JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN do require such protection, the court will appoint counsel to represent him, whether or not he is able to afford counsel. JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN will not be present in court unless he so requests or the court so orders.

(2) If a parent of JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN appears without counsel and is unable to afford counsel, the court must appoint counsel for the parent, unless the parent knowingly and intelligently waives the right to be represented by counsel. The court will not appoint the same counsel to represent JONATHAN RUSSELL BRYAN and his parent.

(3) The court may appoint either the public defender or private counsel. If private counsel is appointed, he or she will receive a reasonable sum for compensation and expenses, the amount to be paid by the real parties in interest, but not by the minor, in such proportions as the court believes to be just. If, however, the court finds that any of the real parties in interest cannot afford counsel, the amount will be paid by the county.

(4) The court may continue the proceeding for not more than 30 days as necessary to appoint counsel and to enable counsel to become acquainted by the case.

Dated: Dec 07, 2000
Kathleen M. White, Clerk
By: L. Cato, Deputy Clerk
Dec 13 20 27 Jan 3

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 14, 2000
File No. 2000-964

The following person is doing business as Airgas Rutland Tool, 2225 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601:

Rutland Tool & Supply Co., Inc., 2225 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601, incorp. in California.

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/s/Todd R. Craun

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by: /s/Sara Pfeifle, Deputy Clerk
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF YOLO
725 Court Street, Room 103
Woodland, CA 95695
In the Matter of: Cam Thi Nguyen for Christopher Vang (minor) for Change of Name
CASE NO. PT00-2132
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE – CHANGE OF NAME

WHEREAS, Cam Thi Nguyen has filed a petition with the Clerk of this court for an order changing name of Christopher Vang to Christopher Dinh Thann Nguyen;

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this Court at 8:30 a.m. on 1/16/01, in the Courtroom of Department 5 at the Courthouse, Woodland, California, 95695, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in a newspaper of general circulation, printed in Yolo County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

DATED: 12/13/00
William S. Lebov
Judge of the Superior Court
Dec 20 27 Jan 3 10

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The eye sees not itself but by reflection.
—William Shakespeare, *Julius Caesar*
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The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

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37 Adjective suffix
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7 Runner Zatopek
8 Room without a view?
9 Alaskan bear
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12 Joe of "Dr. Quinn"
13 '62 Four Seasons hit
14 Glasses
15 Dress size
16 "Ramblin' Rose" singer
17 Stage backdrop
22 Clockmaker Thomas
24 Grocer's measure
25 Tearjerker?
30 Vane letters
33 Gullet
35 Perch
36 Run through
38 Male swans
39 Help a hood
40 Formal ceremony
41 — blond
42 Goes downhill fast?
45 Stephen of "Interview with the Vampire"
48 Loses a lap
50 Phi Beta —
52 79 Down's homeland
53 Passover meal
55 Watching machines?
56 Petty officer
57 Dairy-case purchase
59 "Upstairs, Downstairs" extras
60 Ornamental loop
64 Gulf
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70 — Lama
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79 "Elephant Boy" star
85 Wine and dine
88 Moral man?
89 Stowe sight
91 A swan was her swain
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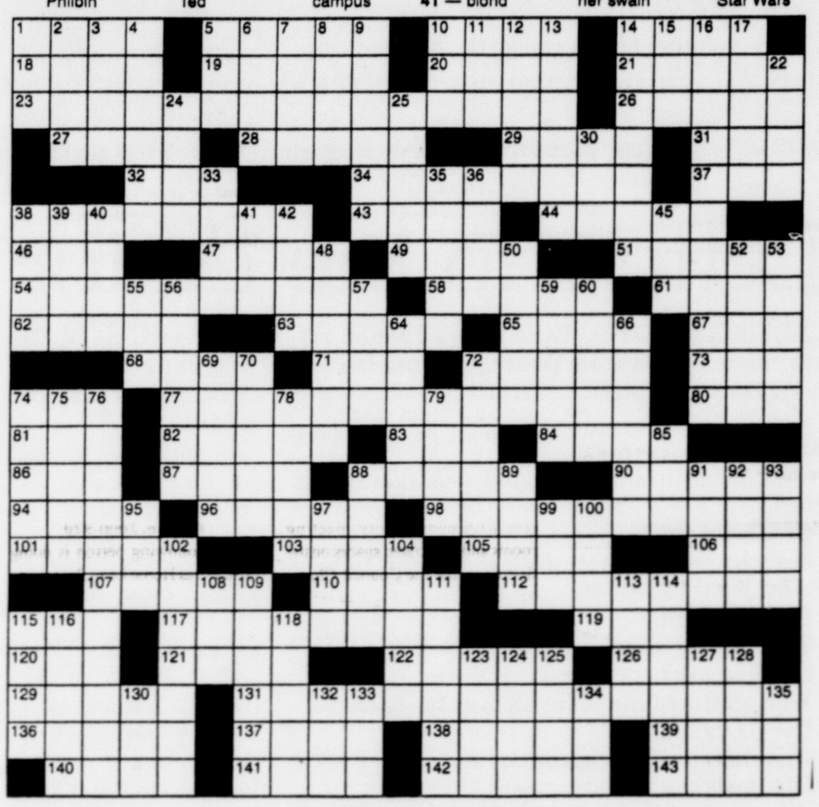

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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By L.O. Hansen

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 28, 2000
File No. 2000-899

The following person is doing business as NU LOOK Supply and Salon, 1495 East St. Suite D, Woodland CA 95776:

Jirina Evan, 1518 Ashley Ave., Woodland CA 95695.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on.

/s/Jirina Evan

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Nov 28, 2000
Sara Pfeifle, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 15, 2000
File No. 2000-970

The following person is doing business as Squids Ink; Squids List, 537 F Street #A, Davis, CA 95616:

Brian Cane and Erik Rist, same address as above.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/15/00.

/s/Brian Cane

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, Dec 15, 2000
by: /s/Victoria Barnes, Deputy Clerk
Dec 20 27 Jan 3 10

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YOLO
Conservatorship of the Person and Estate of LEONARD LLOYD CAVIN, Conservatee
NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kathleen R. Sylvia, Public Guardian of the County of Yolo, State of California, as conservator of the estate of Leonard Lloyd Cavin will sell at private sale, subject to confirmation by the Superior Court of Yolo County, to the highest and best bidder, under the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned on JANUARY 10, 2001, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., or thereafter within the time allowed by law, at the Office of the Public Guardian of Yolo County at 400 Court Street, Woodland, California, all the right, title, interest and estate of said Leonard Lloyd Cavin, in and to the real property located at 2661 Mandeville Way, West Sacramento, County of Yolo, State of California, and more particularly described as follows:

One-half interest in Lot 3, Milestone, filed August 22, 1980 in Book 12 of Maps, Page 1 to 6, inclusive, Yolo County Records Excepting Therefrom 100% of all oil, minerals, geothermal and similar rights, below a depth of 500 feet of existing surface elevation, but shall have no right of surface entry, as excepted in the Deed executed by West Sacramento Port Center, INC., recorded May 26, 1978 in Book 1308 of Official Records, page 587.

The terms of the sale shall be as follows:

1. Such purchase is subject to covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, rights, rights of way, easements, and encumbrances of record, and any existing deeds of trust.

2. Buyer shall pay for escrow costs.

3. Any examination of title, recording of conveyance, title insurance policy and documentary transfer tax shall be at the expense of the Buyer.

4. Current taxes shall be prorated as of the date of confirmation of the sale.

5. A certified check payable to the undersigned in the amount of $1,000 shall be submitted with the bid. Upon Court confirmation of the bid, a certified check in an amount which, added to the initial deposit, equals 10% of the total bid price, shall be submitted within twenty-four (24) hours.

All bids and offers must be in writing and will be received at the Office of the Public Guardian of the County of Yolo, State of California, at 400 Court Street, Woodland, California, 95695, at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of said sale. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

6. If escrow does not close within thirty (30) days of the Court confirmation of sale, Seller will have the option of canceling the sale, and retaining all or part of the deposit as damages.

7. The property is to be sold on an "as is" basis, except as to title. For further information and bid forms, apply at the Office of the Public Guardian of the County of Yolo.

Dated: December 12, 2000
/s/KATHLEEN R. SYLVIA
PUBLIC GUARDIAN
Conservator of the Person and Estate of Leonard Lloyd Cavin
Dec 20 27 Jan 3

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the City of West Sacramento Civic Center project, to be located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Civic Center. The full project is the construction and use of an approximately 64,000 square foot three story Civic Center building with offices, Council Chambers, meeting rooms and community area. The western portion of the building will have a 2,000 square foot lobby, 47,000 square feet of offices, shared facilities, and mechanical areas. The eastern portion of the building will be two stories with 17,000 square feet with commlunity meeting rooms and associated spaces on the first floor and the Council Chambers and associated spaces on the second floor. A two story Galleria will face West Capitol Avenue with the meeting rooms and Council Chambers behind. The building will initially house approximately 117 employees with an eventual employee count of 161. Approximately 200 parking spaces for visitors, employees, and City vehicles will be provided on-site.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that with the implementation of recommended mitigation measures, there will be no significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file in the office of the West Sacramento Community Development Department at 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691 (telephone 916-373-5854).

Any affected or interested parties may submit comments to the Community Development Department no later than January 26, 2001.

The West Sacramento City Council will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration in early 2001. Contact the Community Development Department at (916) 373-5854 to confirm the exact date.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on January 10, 2001 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held at city hall, 1350 Halyard Dr., West Sacramento. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 373-5800. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City Hall is handicapped accessible.

1. On the proposed use of Block Grant Funds from the Department of Justice Local Law Enforcement Block Grants applied for by the Police Department. The Grant is similar to previous grants awarded to the Police Department. The city is eligible for $101,927 with a matching fund component of $11,325.

Dec 27

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov16, 2000
File No. 2000-868

The following person is doing business as Kaleidoscope Birth Choices, 801 D St., Apt. 5, Davis, CA 95616:

Kelley Scott, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/15/00.

/s/Kelley Scott

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, Nov. 16, 2000
by: /s/Sara Pfeifle, Deputy Clerk
Dec 13 20 27 Jan 3

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov. 28, 2000
File No. 2000-897

The following person is doing business as Airgas-NCN, 3650 Industrial Blvd., Ste. 100, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Airgas-Northern California & Nevada, Inc., incorp. in Delaware.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11-1-00.

/s/Todd R. Craun, Secretary
Airgas-Northern CA & NV, Inc.

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Nov. 28, 2000
by: /s/Sara Pfeifle, Deputy Clerk
Dec 13 20 27 Jan 3
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 1, 2000
File No. 2000-920

The following person is doing business as Home Loan Processing Services, 1629 Virginia Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Megan A. Faiello, 1629 Virginia Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1-1-01.

/s/Megan A. Faiello

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County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
TS No.: 20009073501665 Loan No.: 3117315673 FHA/VA/MI No.: 043-4907269
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED FEBRUARY 10, 1992 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.
On January 10, 2001 at 1:00PM, LoneStar Mortgagee Services, L.L.C., as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded February 28, 1992, as Instrument No. 05966, in book 2316, page 632, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California. Executed by Simone P. Halbert, an unmarried woman and Odetta J. Halbert, an unmarried woman Will Sell at Public Auction to Highest Bidder for Cash, Cashier's check/Cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the main entrance to the City Hall, 2101 Stone Blvd., West Sacramento, CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: As more fully described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust. APN# 014-323-05
The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1218 Burrows Street West Sacramento California 95605 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: $89,404.33
The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.
Date: December 15, 2000
First American Lenders Advantage LoneStar Mortgagee Services, L.L.C. 3 First American Way, Santa Ana, CA 92707 Shane Dunlap
For Trustee's Sale information please call 916-387-7728 LoneStar Mortgagee Services, L.L.C. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 00-13840 Loan No. 3060779 TSG No. 584138
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/08/2000 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the real property known as 633 Bowlen Drive, West Sacramento, CA 95605 Assessor's Parcel Number 014344181 will be sold at public auction at the main entrance to the City Hall, 2101 Stone Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA on 01/03/2001, at 1:00 PM, to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale, for cash a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Financial Code section 5102 and authorized to do business in California. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust executed by Daniel Craig Seevers, an unmarried man and Victoria Lynn Sutton, an unmarried woman, as trustor, Recorded on 05/18/2000, Instrument 2000001195000, of Official Records of Yolo, County, California. The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of the notice is $90,612.67, estimated, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonably estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Dated: 12/07/2000 **Premier Trust Deed Services, Inc.**, 3 ADA, Irvine, California 92618, Trustee Sale Information Number (916) 387-7728, **Premier Trust Deed Services, Inc.** By: Michael Caracena, Asst. Secretary, ASAP412191 12/13, 12/20, 12/27

The word "queue" is the only word in the English language that is pronounced the same way it sounds if the last four letters are removed.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PORT OF SACRAMENTO STORMWATER TREATMENT PROJECT
December 22, 2000

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Port of Sacramento's Stormwater Treatment Project is now available for review and comment. The Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to assess the environmental effects of the project, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Project Description

As part of an ongoing effort to improve the quality of stormwater discharged from its facility, the Port of Sacramento has proposed a stormwater treatment project. The treatment program consists of constructing stormwater conveyance, storage, and treatment facilities. These facilities will significantly improve the quality of stormwater being discharged from the Port.

The proposed Stormwater Treatment Project is located south of Interstate 80 near the intersection of Harbor Boulevard and Industrial Boulevard in the City of West Sacramento, Yolo County, California. The location corresponds to an unsectioned area within Township 8N, Range 4E of the "Sacramento West, California" U.S. Geological Survey 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle.

Availability of the Mitigated Negative Declaration

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for public review at the following location:

Port of Sacramento
3251 Beacon Boulevard, Suite 210
West Sacramento, CA 95768

Public Review Period

The Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for a 30-day public review period, extending from December 22, 2000 to January 21, 2001. Please refer all project questions and submit written comments to:

Port of Sacramento
Attn: Thomas Scheeler
PO Box 980070
West Sacramento, California 95798-0070
(916) 371-8000 ext. 350
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ber 24th, 2000. They were married in San Francisco in 1950 while Ben was on a ten day military leave from the United States Air Force. During his service to his country, Ben was stationed all over the world, including stays in England, Guam and Thailand. He and Esther also spent time in Kansas and Georgia before finally settling down in Elkhorn Village in the early 1960s to raise their large family.

After Ben retired from the military, he went into the insurance business and had a very successful second career. Esther stayed home with the children until the early 1970s, and then went to work for the State of California, in part to insure that as many of her children as possible could attend parochial schools.

"My parents are both very good Catholics," explained their eldest daughter, Kimberly, "and there wasn't too much doubt about what was right and what was wrong in our house when we were growing up. Although my parents were strict, they were fair, too, and that's just one of the many things I admire about them. Now that I have children of my own, I look back in amazement at how organized my parents were, especially my mother. There was only one bathroom for 11 children, eight of whom were girls, yet my mother had it worked out so that everyone somehow got their 15 minutes. Plus she and my father are both wonderful cooks and they were always preparing these marvelous meals that everyone loved. They made our growing up years so special for me and my brothers and sisters and we're all very proud of them."

"Some of my fondest memories are of the times we all spent together at the dinner table," recalled Ben and Esther's daughter, Heather. "Mother made sure we always had sit-down meals and because my parents had done so much reading and traveling, they had all these wonderful stories to tell us. They are both such intelligent, open and wise people and my father in particular has a great sense of humor and dinner time for the Cardoza family was always a time of fun and laughter."

"My parents always wanted a big family," said Kimberly, "and when we were young, we were all encouraged to be close and do things together. For instance, we all kept taking swimming lessons every summer even after most of us had already learned how to swim. My parents always encouraged us, always believed in us, and always made sure we didn't want for anything, and speaking on behalf of all my brothers and sisters, I just want to say that no one could have been blessed with better parents than my mom and dad."

Benjamin and Esther will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a five day cruise to Mexico that their children have arranged for them.

In addition to Kimberly and Heather, Ben and Esther's other children are Ben III, Bill, David, Patty, Merry, Margaret, Elizabeth, Gloria and Angela.

Ben and Esther also have 17 much-loved grandchildren.

In local government

The Jan. 4 meeting of the West Sacramento Planning Commission has been canceled. The commission's next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 18 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 1350 Halyard Dr.

No city council or school board meetings are scheduled this week, due to the holidays.

New titles at the library

The following new books have arrived at the Arthur F. Turner Library:

"The Complete Idiot's Guide to Living Longer & Healthier" by Alan Magaziner, D.O.

"My Father, Uncle Miltie" by William Berle.

"The Address Book: Direct Access to Over 4,000 Celebrities, Corporate Execs, and Other VIP's" by Michael Levine (library use only).

"In My Life: The Brian Epstein Story" by Debbie Geller.

"Unsolved Mysteries of History: An Eye-Opening Investigation into the Most Baffling Events of All Time" by Paul Aron.

"The Wildest Dream: The Biography of George Mallroy" by Peter and Leni Gillman.

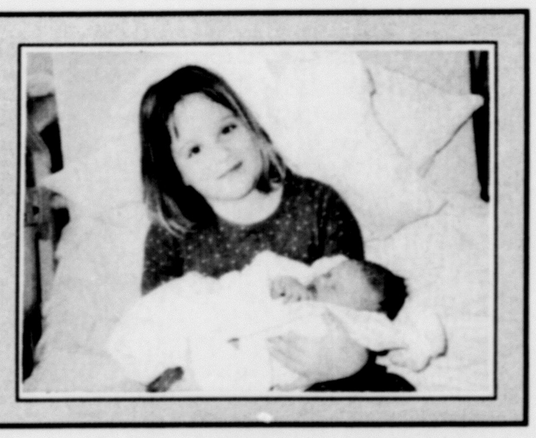
Yolo County libraries, including the A.F. Turner branch, will be closed on Monday, January 1st for the New Year's holiday.

Call 375-6465 for information and library hours.

New to town—

Katie Laackman, age 6 1/2 (at right) holds new sister Gracie Laackman, born Dec. 19.

Gracie weighed in at 8 lbs., 12 oz. and measured 21 inches at birth. She was born to West Sacramento parents Mary and Larry Laackman, and joins her new grandparents Karen Olstyn, Susan and Lawrence Laackman.



Public Hearing Notice
Proposed YOLOBUS public bus route and schedule changes on West Sacramento Routes 40 and 41

Notice is hereby given that the Yolo County Transportation District (YCTD) will be conducting a public hearing at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2001 in the community room at the West Sacramento Police Department, 550 Jefferson Boulevard, for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding proposed changes to the schedule and route maps for routes 40 and 41.

These proposed changes are intended to more accurately reflect true bus running times. Generally speaking, it is proposed that routes 40 and 41 provide regular access to the current West Sacramento City Hall site. As part of this proposed revised schedule, these routes will continue to access Social Services, Employment Development, and the West Sacramento Police Department building, but via bus stops on Jefferson Boulevard, rather than going into Triangle Court.

Copies of the proposed changes are available at West Sacramento City Hall, the Turner Library, on YOLOBUS, and by calling YOLOBUS at 371-2877.

Those wishing to provide testimony regarding the proposed changes can do so one of four ways:

1. Attend the public hearing on January 9th, as described above
2. Call YOLOBUS at 371-2877
3. Send an email to Kherger@yctd.org
4. Send a letter to YCTD, 350 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA 95776

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Local Scene

Nurses available

Senior nursing students at CSUS are looking for community service projects. Recent work has included a survey of pregnant women, booklets on breastfeeding and sex education, and a child safety awareness fair. Any health-related project that provides the students with practical experience in planning and implementation will considered. Call 278-6714.

Divorce/separation

Yolo Family Service Agency is offering 'Kids' Turn,' a workshop for families undergoing divorce or separation. Meetings will be held Monday evenings 6-7:30 p.m. beginning Jan. 22 in Woodland. It is intended for parents and their children age 4-14, and leaders are mental health professionals and educators. Parents are charged on a sliding scale; children are free. Call 375-1254; advance registration is required.

Chamber installation

The West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce will install new board members and president Leonard Strickland at a dinner at the Club Pheasant on Thurs., Jan. 4, with no-host cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the Chamber office and are $30/person or $55/couple. Call 371-7042.

Little League signups

Registration for 5-16 year-old West Sacramento Little Leaguers will be held Jan. 6, 13 & 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and Jan. 10 & 17 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Firemen's Hall, 1966 Park Blvd. Fees are $40 (age 5-6), $50 (7-12) and $60 (13-16). A refundable work deposit will be charged. Late fees will apply after these dates. Players 16 & over are eligible for the Senior League. Little League Tryouts for 8-12 year olds will be held at Memorial Park on Feb. 3 & 10 at 10 a.m.

Class of '81

The reunion committee for River City High's Class of 1981 is looking for classmates and planning the class's 20th reunion. If you are a member of the class interested in attending, send your name, address, phone number & email address to rivercity81@yahoo.com, or mail to River City Class of '81, PO Box 655, West Sacramento CA 95691. Log on to www.classmates.com for more details on the information board.

Senior Spin

Senior Spin, the West Sacramento Senior Center's takeoff on the "Wheel of Fortune," has a new cast of players. The show airs on Charter Cable TV Channel 21 daily at 6:30 p.m. plus Wednesdays at 7 p.m. New contestants are Ardis Graham, Jack Caldeira and Bev Cecchettini. Dee Bowen hosts and Jennie McNeil is "Vana Banana." Danny Parisi is stage technician.

Flu shots

The Yolo County Health Clinic has scheduled another flu shot clinic for Friday, Dec. 29, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at 10 Cottonwood St. in Woodland. Anyone 18 years old or older may receive a flu shot for $5. County health officer Dr. Bette Hinton strongly recommends annual flu vaccinations for senior citizens and other high-risk individuals. Seniors may also receive a pneumonia shot for $10 (recommended annually for those 65+ years old) or a tetanus shot for $10 (needed every 10 years for adults). Call (530) 666-8150 for more information.

New classes

The West Sacramento Parks & Community Services Dept., together with Sacramento City College, is sponsoring a variety of classes during the Jan. 16-May 22 college semester, all held at the West Sacramento Senior Center on Cummins Way. Classes include clay sculpture, the sociology of aging, fitness walking, social dance and conversational Spanish. They are taught by Sacramento City College Instructors and cost $11 to $33 plus any materials. For information, call 375-5511.

Pepsi + school

Clarksburg Elementary has enrolled in the Pepsi "Share the Joy of Music" program. Through January, specially marked packages of Pepsi and Frito products will have "Official Pepsi Note" points on them. They can be saved and turned in at a bin at the school, or mailed to the school at PO Box 99, Clarksburg, CA 95612 before Feb. 15. The school can redeem them for musical instruments and supplies.

OLG Alumni

Our Lady of Grace School in West Sacramento will celebrate its 40th anniversary next year, and invites all alumni and their families. An alumni Mass and continental breakfast will be held Sun., Jan. 28 at 9 a.m. A dinner and silent auction (tickets required) is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Sat., April 7. Ticket sales ($25) begin Jan. 28. Call 371-9416.

Moose Lodge

The Lodge will host a New Year's Eve party Dec. 31, with the music of Mark St. Mary and his Red Hot Zydeco Band. Party favors and Champagne will be on hand, as will a steak dinner. Donation is $25 per person or $45 per couple; tickets are limited, so call Buddy Linker at 371-6303 or 371-9684.

City boards

The City of West Sacramento is looking for prospective members of all its boards and commissions – including the Board of Appeals, Commission on Aging, Economic Development Advisory Commission, Parks & Community Services Commission, Planning Commission and Housing Advisory Commission. Applications will also be accepted for the City's seat on the board of the Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control District. Applicants must be 18 years of age and reside in West Sacramento. Council appointments are expected to be made in January. Call 373-5800 or drop by City Hall at 1350 Halyard Dr. for information.

College-bound kids

The ACT Assessment test will be given Feb. 10 to college-bound high school students. Registration postmark deadline is Jan. 5; a late fee will apply for registrations from Jan. 6-Jan. 19. The test fee is $23. ACT scores are used by many college's as part of their consideration of student admissions. Information is available at the ACT website, www.act.org.

Food giveaway

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible West Sacramento and Clarksburg residents on Dec. 30 from 8-10 a.m. at the County Building on Jefferson Blvd. in West Sacramento; from 8:30-9:30 at the Sam Combs Activity Center in West Sacramento; and from 10-11 a.m. at the Clarksburg Firehouse. Commodities may include canned turkey, canned salmon, tomato soup, spaghetti, sausage, frozen cherries and orange juice. Please bring a bag. For information, call (530) 758-6821.

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Across the bridge

Annual antique show

Sunrise Mall's annual antiques show and sale will take place between Jan. 4-7 in Citrus Heights. This event offers collectors an outstanding selection of thousands of antiques and unique collectibles from the 1800s through the 1960s.

Sunrise Mall is located on Sunrise Boulevard at Greenback Lane. For information, call 916-9617150 or 530-241-4063.

Stamp Fair

The semi-annual Sacramento Stamp Fair will be held the weekend of January 6-7, 2001 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Sacramento. The hall is located at 5961 Newman Court, just off Carlson at Fair Oaks Boulevard, between Sacramento State University and the Scottish Rite Hall.

Stamp and Cover dealers from throughout the western United States will be attending and items for sale will range in price from a few pennies to thousands of dollars. Dealers will be giving free appraisals of individual stamps and collections. For more information, call 1-800-783-7589.

Channel 10 "Coats for Kids"

"News 10's Coats for Kids Sake" winter coat drive is underway. In the past nine years, more than 137,000 coats have been collected and distributed to children and families in need throughout the Central Valley.

New or gently used coats can be donated at Swansons Cleaners, Gottschalks Department Stores, Jamba Juice locations, and the News 10 Studios until January 1, 2001.

For more information about "News 10's Coats for Kids Sake", call 321-3362 or go to News 10's website at kxtv10.com.

Sky Concert

Old Sacramento will be the backdrop for a spectacular Sky Concert on December 31st. The gala fireworks show, scheduled from 10:00-10:15 p.m. will light up the sky over the Sacramento River and can be viewed from anywhere along the Old Sacramento Waterfront.

Entertainment will be provided by the Ophir Prison Band and the Old Sacramento Living History Characters from 8:30-10:00 p.m.

The event is free to the public and please call 558-3912 for a last minute event update in case of uncertain weather.

Visit Sonoma Valley

The Sonoma Valley Visitors Bureau kicks-off e-$capes this December, offering great values on wineries, lodging, restaurants, attractions and shopping in the Sonoma Valley.

To learn more about e-$capes discounts or to get a list of participating members and how to take advantage of special offers, visit sonomavalley.com or call (707) 996-1090.

Art exhibition

The Sacramento Fine Arts Center, located at 53330-B Gibbons Drive in Carmichael (between Walnut and Garfield) will be showing the American Watercolor Society's Traveling Exhibition from Jan. 3 to Jan. 28. It's an opportunity to view an outstanding show and for more information, call 971-3713.

City of West Sacramento
HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS

Monday 12/25/00 moves to Tuesday 12/26/00
Tuesday 12/26/00 moves to Wednesday 12/27/00
Wednesday 12/27/00 moves to Thursday 12/28/00
Thursday 12/28/00 moves to Friday 12/29/00
Friday 12/29/00 moves to Saturday 12/30/00

NEW YEARS

Monday 1/1/01 moves to Tuesday 1/2/01
Tuesday 1/2/01 moves to Wednesday 1/3/01
Wednesday 1/3/01 moves to Thursday 1/4/01
Thursday 1/4/01 moves to Friday 1/5/01
Friday 1/5/01 moves to Saturday 1/6/01

Aim For Green
City of West Sacramento RECYCLES
For more information call 373-5810

Answers to Sports Quiz & Puzzles

1. Ron Guidry won 170 games for the New York Yankees between 1975 and 1988.
2. True. Pedro Martinez won the N.L. Cy Young Award with Montreal ('78-'84). Roger Clemens won the A.L. Cy Young Award with Toronto (76-86).
3. The University of Michigan beat Wisconsin this year to reach 800 victories.
4. More than four years. The Warriors last beat the Jazz in April of 1996.
5. Montreal's Tom Johnson (1959) and Doug Harvey (1960).
6. Three — the 100 meters, the 200 meters and the 4 by 400 meters relay.
7. Woods broke his own record. His average was 68.43 in 1999.

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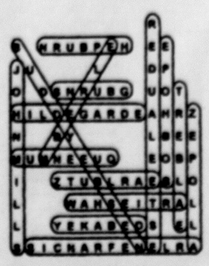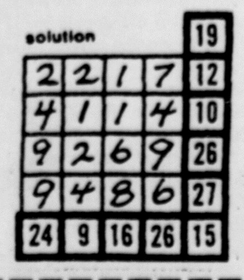
Differences: 1. Flashlight is missing. 2. Ladder is shorter. 3. Window is smaller. 4. Hat is different. 5. Moon is reversed. 6. Bag is missing.